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TO SECSTATE WASHDC 8850
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USINT BAGHDAD
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SUBJ: HIGHER INVESTMENT COUNCIL APPROVES FORD PROJECT
(IN PRINCIPLE)

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1. CAIRO PRESS AUG 30 GIVES FRONT PAGE COVERAGE TO BRIEF
ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HIGHER INVESTMENT COUNCIL, WHICH MET UNDER
PRIMIN MAMDOUH SALEM AUG 28, APPROVED "IN PRINCIPLE" ESTAB-
LISHMENT OF FORD'S PROJECT TO MANUFACTURE DIESEL ENGINES
AND TO ASSEMBLE TRUCKS IN EGYPT. PRESS TREATMENT NOTES DIESEL
ENGINES ARE FOR "EXPORT" AND APPEARS TO LINK MASSEY-FERGUSON
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DIRECTLY TO TRUCK ASSEMBLY PROJECT IN SOME FORM OF JOINT
VENTURE ARRANGEMENT. MEETING WILL BE HELD SEPT 10,
ACCORDING REPORT, BETWEEN EGYPTIAN, US AND BRITISH PARTIES
TO DISCUSS DETAILS RELATED TO THE APPROVAL OF THE TWO PROJECTS.

2. COMMENT: PRESS LINKAGE OF MASSEY-FERGUSON AND FORD
PROJECTS MAY BE DELIBERATE ON PART OF HIGHER INVESTMENT

COUNCIL TO SOFTEN PUBLIC IMPACT OF FORD APPROVAL. OUR BRITISH EMBASSY COLLEAGUES HAVE NO BETTER REASON WHY LINKAGE WOULD BE MADE. ANOTHER POSSIBLE EXPLANATION, OF COURSE, IS THAT NEWSPAPER SIMPLY CONFUSED TWO PROJECTS AND LINKED THEIR SEPARATE APPROVALS BY COUNCIL. WHAT IS IMPORTANT, HOWEVER, IS THAT WIDELY READ EGYPTIAN PRESS HAS NOW BEEN AUTHORIZED PUBLISH NEWS THAT FORD PROJECT APPROVED. THIS SHOULD HELP ENCOURAGE OTHER ARAB STATES TAKE STEPS ENABLE FORD BEGIN OPERATING AGAIN.
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